

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. TRONE) and the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. BOST) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New Jersey.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TRONE. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and to insert extraneous material on H.R. 7153, as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

Mr. TRONE. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 7153, as amended, the Department of Veterans Affairs Principles of Benefits Automation Act, introduced by Ranking Member BOST.

This bill provides clarification on the sense of Congress on the automation of benefits claims and requires the VA to submit to Congress a plan for modernization of the information technology systems of the Veterans Benefits Administration.

As the VA moves toward greater automation, we must ensure that the VA does automation the right way for all stakeholders, including both veterans and the workforce. It is also important for the VA to identify systems in need of modernization to support successful implementation of bills, such as the PACT Act, and important initiatives such as the Secretary's announcement of several new presumptions.

I will reinforce that. On the topic of automation, it is not the intent of Congress or the VA to use automation on claims to eliminate, reduce, or contract out the duties of the VBA workforce. We intend to conduct close oversight of the use of automation and potential expansion. This bill is part of those efforts.

When implemented in the right way, automation has the potential to reduce the day-to-day burden of employees by diminishing menial tasks and allowing the dedicated VA staff to focus on the kind of work that truly needs a human touch. Such an approach stands to benefit the ultimate consumer of the VA: our veterans.

Madam Speaker, I support this bill and encourage my colleagues to support it as well, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BOST. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of my bill, H.R. 7153, the Department of Veterans Affairs Principles of Benefits Automation Act.

The VA is embracing automation more than ever before. The early results are promising. When used properly, automation can improve claims processing for veterans. However, I am concerned that the VA has already started multiple automation projects

without a clear plan or measurable goals. There is no consistent guidance from the VA on when, why, or how automation should be used.

H.R. 7153 will establish the sense of Congress that the VA should increase automation in benefits processing, according to certain principles. Automation should increase the speed, accuracy, and consistency of claims processing. Automation should also enhance employee productivity. Automation should always protect veterans' privacy and preserve their rights to due process.

However, automation should not necessarily eliminate or reduce the VBA workforce. Employees should always make the final decision about approving claims and granting benefits. Let me be clear: The sense of Congress is that automation should enhance and support VBA employees, not replace them. I think these guiding principles will improve the claims process for veterans and beneficiaries.

Finally, my bill will require VA to submit a plan to Congress to modernize its benefits IT system over the next 5 years. This plan is crucial.

The expansion of benefits for toxic-exposed veterans will put an incredible strain on these IT systems. We need to be ready.

Madam Speaker, I ask all of my colleagues to support this legislation, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. TRONE. Madam Speaker, I ask all my colleagues to join me in passing H.R. 7153, as amended, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. TRONE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 7153, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(s) of House Resolution 8, the yeas and nays are ordered.

Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion are postponed.

#### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 25 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. SCHRIER) at 6 o'clock and 31 minutes p.m.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 6824;

H.R. 6825;

H.R. 5658.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

#### PRESIDENT'S CUP CYBER SECURITY COMPETITION ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 6824) to authorize the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency of the Department of Homeland Security to hold an annual cybersecurity competition relating to offensive and defensive cybersecurity disciplines, and for other purposes, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. MALINOWSKI) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 386, nays 31, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 183]

#### YEAS—386

|                 |                 |                |
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| Adams           | Cammack         | Dean           |
| Aderholt        | Carbajal        | DeFazio        |
| Aguilar         | Cárdenas        | DeGette        |
| Allen           | Carey           | DeLauro        |
| Allred          | Carl            | DeBene         |
| Amodei          | Carson          | Delgado        |
| Armstrong       | Carter (GA)     | Demings        |
| Auchincloss     | Carter (LA)     | DeSaulnier     |
| Axne            | Cartwright      | DesJarlais     |
| Bacon           | Case            | Deutch         |
| Baird           | Casten          | Diaz-Balart    |
| Balderson       | Castor (FL)     | Dingell        |
| Banks           | Castro (TX)     | Doggett        |
| Barr            | Cawthorn        | Doyle, Michael |
| Barragán        | Chabot          | F.             |
| Bass            | Cheney          | Duncan         |
| Beatty          | Cherfilus       | Dunn           |
| Bentz           | McCormick       | Ellzey         |
| Bera            | Chu             | Escobar        |
| Bergman         | Cicilline       | Eshoo          |
| Beyer           | Clark (MA)      | Espallat       |
| Bice (OK)       | Clarke (NY)     | Estes          |
| Bilirakis       | Cleaver         | Evans          |
| Bishop (GA)     | Cloud           | Fallon         |
| Bishop (NC)     | Clyburn         | Feenstra       |
| Blumenauer      | Cohen           | Ferguson       |
| Blunt Rochester | Cole            | Fischbach      |
| Bonamici        | Comer           | Fitzgerald     |
| Bost            | Connolly        | Fitzpatrick    |
| Bourdeaux       | Cooper          | Fleischmann    |
| Bowman          | Correa          | Fletcher       |
| Boyle, Brendan  | Costa           | Foster         |
| F.              | Courtney        | Fox            |
| Brady           | Craig           | Frankel, Lois  |
| Brooks          | Crawford        | Franklin, C.   |
| Brown (MD)      | Crenshaw        | Scott          |
| Brown (OH)      | Crist           | Fulcher        |
| Brownley        | Crow            | Gaetz          |
| Buchanan        | Cuellar         | Gallagher      |
| Bucshon         | Curtis          | Gallo          |
| Bush            | Davids (KS)     | Garamendi      |
| Bustos          | Davidson        | Garbarino      |
| Butterfield     | Davis, Danny K. | Garcia (CA)    |
| Calvert         | Davis, Rodney   | Garcia (IL)    |

Garcia (TX) Lieu Ruiz  
 Gimenez Lofgren Ruppertsberger  
 Golden Long Rush  
 Gomez Lowenthal Rutherford  
 Gonzales, Tony Lucas Ryan  
 Gonzalez (OH) Luetkemeyer Salazar  
 Gonzalez, Luria Sanchez  
 Vicente Lynch Sarbanes  
 Gooden (TX) Mace Scalise  
 Gottheimer Malinowski Schakowsky  
 Granger Malliotakis Schiff  
 Graves (LA) Maloney, Schneider  
 Graves (MO) Carolyn B. Schrier  
 Green (TN) Maloney, Sean Schweikert  
 Green, Al (TX) Mann Scott (VA)  
 Grijalva Manning Scott, Austin  
 Grothman Matsui Scott, David  
 Guthrie McBeth Sessions  
 Harder (CA) McCarthy Sewell  
 Harshbarger McCaul Sherman  
 Hartzler McClain Sherrill  
 Hayes McCollum Sires  
 Hern McEachin Slotkin  
 Herrera Beutler McGovern Smith (MO)  
 Higgins (LA) McHenry Smith (NE)  
 Higgins (NY) McKinley Smith (NJ)  
 Hill McNerney Smith (WA)  
 Himes Meeks Smucker  
 Hinson Meijer Soto  
 Hollingsworth Meng Spanberger  
 Horsford Meuser Spartz  
 Houlahan Mfume Speier  
 Hoyer Miller (WV) Stansbury  
 Hudson Miller-Meeks Stanton  
 Huffman Moolenaar Stauber  
 Huizenga Mooney Steel  
 Issa Moore (AL) Stefanik  
 Jackson Lee Moore (UT) Steil  
 Jacobs (CA) Moore (WI) Stevens  
 Jacobs (NY) Morelle Stewart  
 Jayapal Moulton Strozzi  
 Jeffries Mrvan Suozik  
 Johnson (GA) Murphy (FL) Swalwell  
 Johnson (LA) Murphy (NC) Takano  
 Johnson (OH) Nadler Taylor  
 Johnson (SD) Napolitano Tenney  
 Johnson (TX) Neal Thompson (CA)  
 Jones Neguse Thompson (MS)  
 Joyce (OH) Nehls Thompson (PA)  
 Joyce (PA) Newhouse Tiffany  
 Kahele Newman Timmons  
 Kaptur Norcross Titus  
 Katko O'Halleran Tlaib  
 Keating Obernolte Tonko  
 Keller Ocasio-Cortez Torres (CA)  
 Kelly (IL) Omar Torres (NY)  
 Kelly (MS) Owens Trahan  
 Kelly (PA) Palazzo Trone  
 Khanna Pallone Turner  
 Kildee Palmer Underwood  
 Kilmer Panetta Upton  
 Kim (CA) Pappas Valadao  
 Kim (NJ) Pascrell Van Drew  
 Kind Payne Vargas  
 Kinzinger Pence Veasey  
 Kirkpatrick Perlmutter Velázquez  
 Krishnamoorthi Peters Wagner  
 Kuster Pfluger Walberg  
 Kustoff Phillips Walorski  
 LaHood Pingree Waltz  
 LaMalfa Pocan Wasserman  
 Lamb Porter Schultz  
 Lamborn Posey Waters  
 Langevin Pressley Watson Coleman  
 Larsen (WA) Price (NC) Webster (FL)  
 Larson (CT) Quigley Welch  
 Latta Raskin Wenstrup  
 LaTurner Reschenthaler Westerman  
 Lawrence Rice (NY) Wexton  
 Lawson (FL) Rice (SC) Wild  
 Lee (CA) Rodgers (WA) Williams (GA)  
 Lee (NV) Rogers (AL) Wilson (FL)  
 Leger Fernandez Rogers (KY) Wilson (SC)  
 Lesko Rose Wittman  
 Letlow Ross Womack  
 Levin (CA) Rouzer Yarmuth  
 Levin (MI) Roybal-Allard Zeldin

## NAYS—31

Babin Donalds Jackson  
 Biggs Emmer Jordan  
 Boebert Gohmert Loudermilk  
 Buck Good (VA) McClintock  
 Burchett Gosar Miller (IL)  
 Burgess Greene (GA) Mullin  
 Carter (TX) Harris Norman  
 Cline Herrell  
 Clyde Hice (GA)

Perry Rosendale Roy  
 Steube  
 Van Duyne  
 Weber (TX)  
 NOT VOTING—11  
 Guest Schrader  
 Massie Simpson  
 Mast Williams (TX)  
 Scanlon

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Messrs. WEBER of Texas, McCLINTOCK, BURGESS, CARTER of Texas, CLYDE, CLINE, and Ms. HERRELL changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Mr. GAETZ and Ms. WEXTON changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## MEMBERS RECORDED PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 8, 117TH CONGRESS

Adams (Ross) DeSaulnier Meijer (Katko)  
 Allred (Wexton) (Beyer) Mooney (Miller)  
 Bass (Takano) Deutch (Neguse) (WV)  
 Beatty (Kaptur) Dunn (Donalds) Moulton  
 Bera (Connolly) Escobar (Neguse)  
 Bice (OK) (Khanna) Neal (Beyer)  
 (Lucas) Eshoo (Beyer) Nehls (Babin)  
 Bilirakis Evans (Beyer) Ocasio-Cortez  
 (Kustoff) Fallon (Jackson) (Takano)  
 Bishop (GA) Fleischmann Payne (Pallone)  
 (Thompson) (Kustoff) Pocan (Beyer)  
 (MS)) Gohmert (Weber) Porter (Wexton)  
 Bourdeaux (TX)) Roybal-Allard  
 (Wexton) Gomez (Soto) (Correa)  
 Bowman (Garcia) Ruiz (Correa)  
 (TX)) Gosar (Gaetz) Ruiz (Jeffries)  
 Boyle, Brendan Granger (Tony) Rush (Jeffries)  
 F. (Neguse) Gonzales (TX)) Ryan (Kaptur)  
 Grijalva (Garcia) Scott, David  
 (IL)) (Jeffries)  
 Hartzler Sewell (Cicilline)  
 (DesJarlais) Sherrill  
 Hayes (Blunt) (Pallone)  
 Rochester) Sires (Pallone)  
 Jackson Lee Spanberger  
 (Cicilline) (Beyer)  
 Jayapal Spartz (Miller-  
 (Takano) Meeks)  
 Johnson (TX) Stauber  
 (Jeffries) (Bergman)  
 Kahele (Neguse) Stewart (Owens)  
 Keating Suozzi (Beyer)  
 (Connolly) Taylor (Van  
 Kelly (IL) (Blunt) Dwyne)  
 Rochester) Torres (NY)  
 Kelly (PA) (Neguse)  
 (Keller) Trahan (Beyer)  
 Kirkpatrick Veasey (Garcia  
 (Pallone) (TX))  
 Lamb (Pallone) Walorski  
 Langevin (Buchson)  
 (Connolly) Welch (Pallone)  
 Lynch (Connolly) Wilson (FL)  
 McEachin (Neguse)  
 (Wexton) Wilson (SC)  
 McHenry (Timmons)  
 (Wagner) Yarmuth (Beyer)

## NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2022

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 6825) to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance the funding and administration of the Non-profit Security Grant Program of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. MALINOWSKI) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 288, nays 129, not voting 11, as follows:

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YEAS—288

Adams Eshoo Lynch  
 Aguilar Espallat Mace  
 Allred Evans Malinowski  
 Auchincloss Fitzpatrick Malliotakis  
 Axne Fletcher Maloney,  
 Bacon Foster Carolyn B.  
 Barr Frankel, Lois Maloney, Sean  
 Barragán Gallagher Manning  
 Bass Gallego Matsui  
 Beatty Garamendi McBath  
 Bera Garbarino McCaul  
 Bergman Garcia (CA) McCollum  
 Beyer Garcia (IL) McEachin  
 Bice (OK) Garcia (TX) McGovern  
 Bishop (GA) Gimenez McHenry  
 Blumenauer Golden McKinley  
 Blunt Rochester Gomez McNerney  
 Bonamici Gonzales, Tony Meeks  
 Bost Gonzalez (OH) Meijer  
 Bourdeaux Gonzalez, Meng  
 Bowman Vicente Mfume  
 Boyle, Brendan Gottheimer Miller-Meeks  
 F. Granger Mooney  
 Brady Green, Al (TX) Moore (UT)  
 Brown (MD) Grijalva Moore (WI)  
 Brown (OH) Guthrie Morelle  
 Brownley Harder (CA) Moulton  
 Buchanan Hayes Mrvan  
 Bush Herrera Beutler Murphy (FL)  
 Bustos Higgins (NY) Nadler  
 Butterfield Himes Napolitano  
 Calvert Hinson Neal  
 Carbajal Horsford Neguse  
 Cárdenas Houlahan Newhouse  
 Carl Hoyer Newman  
 Carson Hudson Norcross  
 Carter (LA) Huffman O'Halleran  
 Cartwright Issa Ocasio-Cortez  
 Case Jackson Lee Omar  
 Casten Jacobs (CA) Owens  
 Castor (FL) Jacobs (NY) Pallone  
 Castro (TX) Jayapal Panetta  
 Cawthorn Jeffries Pappas  
 Chabot Johnson (GA) Pascrell  
 Cherfilus Johnson (OH) Payne  
 McCormick Johnson (TX) Perlmutter  
 Chu Jones Peters  
 Cicilline Joyce (OH) Phillips  
 Clark (MA) Kahele Pingree  
 Clarke (NY) Kaptur Pocan  
 Cleaver Katko Porter  
 Clyburn Keating Pressley  
 Cohen Keller Price (NC)  
 Cole Kelly (IL) Quigley  
 Connolly Kelly (PA) Raskin  
 Cooper Khanna Reschenthaler  
 Correa Kildee Rice (NY)  
 Costa Kilmer Rogers (AL)  
 Courtney Kim (CA) Rogers (KY)  
 Craig Kim (NJ) Ross  
 Crist Kind Roybal-Allard  
 Crow Kinzinger Ruiz  
 Cuellar Kirkpatrick Ruppertsberger  
 Curtis Krishnamoorthi Rush  
 Davids (KS) Kuster Rutherford  
 Davidson Lamb Ryan  
 Davis, Danny K. Lamborn Salazar  
 Davis, Rodney Langevin Sánchez  
 Dean Larsen (WA) Sarbanes  
 DeFazio Larson (CT) Schakowsky  
 DeGette Latta Schiff  
 DeLauro Lawrence Schneider  
 DelBene Lawton (FL) Schrader  
 Delgado Lee (CA) Schrier  
 Demings Lee (NV) Scott (VA)  
 DeSaulnier Leger Fernandez Scott, David  
 Deutch Levin (CA) Sewell  
 Diaz-Balart Levin (MI) Sherman  
 Dingell Lieu Sherrill  
 Doggett Lofgren Sires  
 Doyle, Michael Lowenthal Slotkin  
 F. Lucas Smith (WA)  
 Escobar Luria Soto